



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

3-201
(1/97)

FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT

1. PERMITTEE

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
530 WEST ALLEGAN
PO BOX 30444
LANSING, MI 48909
U.S.A.

2. AUTHORITY-STATUTES
16 USC 1539(a)

REGULATIONS (Attached)
50 CFR 17.22

50 CFR 13

3. NUMBER
TE111357-0

4. RENEWABLE
☒ YES
☐ NO

5. MAY COPY
☒ YES
☐ NO

6. EFFECTIVE
05/08/2006

7. EXPIRES
12/31/2006

8. NAME AND TITLE OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER (If #1 is a business)

9. TYPE OF PERMIT
ENDANGERED SPECIES

10. LOCATION WHERE AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY MAY BE CONDUCTED

THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.

11. CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS:

- A. GENERAL CONDITIONS SET OUT IN SUBPART D OF 50 CFR 13, AND SPECIFIC CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN FEDERAL REGULATIONS CITED IN BLOCK #2 ABOVE, ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THIS PERMIT. ALL ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED HEREIN MUST BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORD WITH AND FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED. CONTINUED VALIDITY, OR RENEWAL, OF THIS PERMIT IS SUBJECT TO COMPLETE AND TIMELY COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE CONDITIONS, INCLUDING THE FILING OF ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND REPORTS.
- B. THE VALIDITY OF THIS PERMIT IS ALSO CONDITIONED UPON STRICT OBSERVANCE OF ALL APPLICABLE FOREIGN, STATE, LOCAL OR OTHER FEDERAL LAW.
- C. VALID FOR USE BY PERMITTEE NAMED ABOVE.
- D. ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PERMIT SERVES AS EVIDENCE THAT THE PERMITTEE AND ITS AUTHORIZED AGENTS UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS OF THIS PERMIT AND ALL SECTIONS OF TITLE 50 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, PARTS 13 AND 17, PERTINENT TO ISSUED PERMITS. SECTION 11 OF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT OF 1973, AS AMENDED, PROVIDES FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PERMIT CONDITIONS.
- E. Permittee is authorized to take a maximum of 40 wolves annually for depredation control in accordance with the following conditions:
- E.1. The depredation occurred on lawfully present domestic animals, including livestock as defined by the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Lethal control shall not be used when wolves kill dogs that are free-roaming, hunting, or training on public lands, or at livestock operations or other private lands with previous wolf depredations that fail to follow technical assistance guidelines in a timely manner.
- E.2. Lethal wolf control is preceded by verification that wolves were involved in the depredation. Such verification shall be made by individuals covered by this permit and will follow Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) guidelines for lethal control of depredating wolves (Michigan DNR Guidelines for Management and Lethal Control of Wolves Following Confirmed Depredation Events).
- E.3. Depredation at the site is likely to continue in the immediate future if the depredating wolf or wolves are not removed.

☒ ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS ALSO APPLY

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

ANNUAL REPORT DUE: 1/31

ISSUED BY

TITLE
PROGRAM MANAGER, TE/HC

DATE
05/08/2006

- E.4. Wolf handling and euthanizing are carried out in a humane manner.
- E.5. Depredation control activities must occur within 1 mile of the depredation site.
- E.6. Traps and snares are checked at least every 24 hours.
- E.7. Young of the year captured before August 1 are released near the capture site.
- E.8. A lactating female found depredating trapped before July 1 must be released near the capture site, unless it has been involved in three or more depredation events, in which case it may be euthanized.
- E.9. Depredation control activities on tribal lands must be coordinated with tribal natural resources personnel, and lethal control will only be carried out if requested by the tribe.
- E.10. In circumstances where the depredation site is within 1 mile of Tribal trust or fee lands (see attached maps), Permittee shall notify the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Condition N.2.) if the on-site evaluation verifies a wolf depredation. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will contact the Great Lake Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission to support Tribal Trust Responsibilities. Permittee will seek advice of the tribal resource representative, if present at the site, as it relates to depredation control on private land within 1 mile of Tribal trust or fee lands and will consider the advice along with advice of other members of the control team present. Special consideration to wolf packs shall occur in cases where radio-collar information and evidence from the site makes it clear that wolves involved in the depredation incident either spend the majority of their time or have the rendezvous site on Tribal trust or fee lands.
- E.11 If a depredation has not occurred in the current calendar year, lethal control shall only proceed in accordance to Conditions E.1. through E.10 and the following:
- Verified depredation occurred at the site, or in the immediate vicinity, during the previous year.
 - There is strong evidence one or more members of the depredating pack has remained in the area since the verified depredation.
 - Based on wolf behavior and other factors, the depredation is considered by Permittee likely to be repeated.
 - Trapping is conducted in a location and manner to minimize the likelihood of capturing a wolf or wolves from non-depredating packs.
- E.12. Michigan DNR will inform the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (contact Condition N.2.) prior to using lethal techniques to address wolf damage issues.
- F. Permittee, and authorized agents, may harass wolves with rubber bullets, other nonlethal projectile devices, or other devices intended to scare wolves and provide aversive conditioning to bold or habituated wolves.
- G. Accidental serious injury or mortality resulting from trapping activities to young of the year prior to August 1 may not exceed 1 individual in 2006. In the event this number is exceeded, all trapping activities shall cease until August 1. Such mortalities and serious injuries shall be reported to FWS as specified below within 5 calendar days.
- H. Serious injury or mortality resulting from trapping activities to lactating females prior to July 1 may not exceed 2 individuals. In the event this number is met, all trapping shall cease until July 1. Capture of lactating females prior to July 1, regardless of their condition at the time of their release, shall be reported to FWS within 5 calendar days.
- I. The authority for lethal depredation control granted by this permit can be delegated to U.S. Department of Agriculture - Wildlife Services or Tribal Natural Resources Agencies. These agents are subject to the same conditions and reporting requirements described within this permit.
- J. Wolf trapping and handling by all personnel working under this permit shall follow Michigan Department of Natural Resources wolf trapping and handling protocols, which will be revised to incorporate new information and techniques as appropriate.
- K. All trappers working under this permit shall be trained in, and receive annual refresher courses in the trapping, chemical immobilization, and medical handling of animals, with emphasis on wolves, to minimize accidental injury and death to wolves.

- L. All mortalities and serious injuries, whether intentional or incidental, shall be reported to the Service's Region 3 Endangered Species Permits Biologist (permitsR3ES@fws.gov), the East Lansing Field Office (mike_decapita@fws.gov), the Upper Peninsula Sub-Office (christie_deloria@fws.gov), and the Service's Law Enforcement Office (robert_lumadue@fws.gov) within 5 calendar days. Notification by e-mail is sufficient. Wolves, or wolf parts, so taken may be transferred to Native Americans for religious and/or cultural purposes, public educational use, or scientific research purposes. A copy of this Permit, or a letter of authorization from this office, must be retained with all specimens so transferred. All requests for carcasses must be made in writing. All specimens retained under authority of this permit remain the property of the United States Government and must be clearly identified as such. Specimens not suitable, or not needed, for such use must be destroyed.
- M. An annual report of activities conducted under the authority of this permit is due on January 31, 2007. Failure to furnish any reports that are required by this permit is cause for permit revocation and/or denial of future permit applications. At a minimum, your reports shall include:
- M.1. The date, location, age, sex, ear tag number and general description of the physical condition of each wolf captured.
 - M.2. Description of any medications administered to captured wolves.
 - M.3. The disposition of any wolves injured, killed, salvaged, held and transported.
 - M.4. The results of any blood analysis.
 - M.5. The results of efforts to address and resolve depredation issues, including repeat depredations by wolves.
 - M.6. A summary that includes the following for each wolf incidental and intentional injury or mortality that occurred (incidental and intentional mortality should be addressed separately in the report):
 - Date and time of the taking.
 - Name of any persons involved in the takings.
 - Record of site evaluations including the activities contributing to and/or predisposing the site to depredation by wolves and the recommendations given to each landowner to reduce the risk of future depredations.
 - Circumstances surrounding any taking, including the stimulus for the taking, and/or human activities involved.
 - The behavioral responses of any gray wolves trapped and released.
 - Actions taken to avoid or minimize taking.
- N. Copies of your reports shall be sent to the offices listed below. When possible, electronic copies shall be submitted in lieu of hard copies in MS Word, Rich Text Format, or other file format that is compatible with the receiving office.
- N.1. Pete Fasbender
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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 3
Ecological Services Operations
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Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056
(612/713-5343; fax 612/713-5292)
permitsR3ES@fws.gov
 - N.2. Mike DeCapita
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Ecological Services Field Office
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N.3. Todd Hogrefe
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Wildlife Division
Department of Natural Resources
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cc: FWS/East Lansing Field Office
Michigan DNR, Endangered Species Coordinator

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